

2010-2011 SES Provider Application Questions and Answers #5 January 22, 2010

Question #1

If the core mission of a company provides educational services in a private capacity (with non-ses dollars...for non-ses students), what do they need to be aware of when authorized to serve eligible SES students in the same or different districts?

Answer #1

If the organization's SES Provider application is approved, the organization should be aware that its SES programming must not only be in line with its approved application but must also follow all of the requirements, policies and guidelines for SES as detailed in the Indiana Department of Education's SES Policies & Procedures, the U.S. Department of Education's SES Non-regulatory Guidance, and any SES policies of the districts in which the organization intends to serve.

Question #2

Will providing non-ses and ses students with educational services have a negative impact on the approval of the ses application?

Answer #2

The type of student an organization serves (SES or non-SES or both) in of itself would not impact an applicant's score. An approved provider may provide tutoring services to non-SES students and SES students so long as the services that are provided to SES students are consistent with the SES program design approved in the provider's application. In addition, the programming for SES students must follow all of the requirements, policies and guidelines for SES as detailed in the Indiana Department of Education's SES Policies & Procedures, the U.S. Department of Education's SES Non-regulatory Guidance, and any SES policies of the districts in which the organization intends to serve.

Question #3

What documentation or person can be referenced for more information regarding Part Two Section I Questions I and 2?

Answer #3

Applicants seeking guidance with questions on the application may 1) submit specific questions to the application email address provided on page 5 of the application packet, 2) review the video and PowerPoint that is posted online from the WebEx Technical Assistance Training that was conducted on January 12, 2010 http://mustang.doe.state.in.us/dg/ses/provider-application.html, or 3) attend the next WebEx Technical Assistance Training taking place in February (please see page 5 of the application packet for registration details).

Question #4

If an organization applies this February 2010, how quickly will the organization be able to start providing SES?

Answer #4

First, it's important to note that in order to provide SES during the 2010-2011 school year the organization's application would have to be approved (application decision notices will be sent to applicants in May 2010). Second, it is also important to note that there is no guarantee an approved organization will actually serve students. When an application is approved, this allows the organization to be placed on Indiana's approved SES Provider List for the 2010-2011 school year. The provider list is then distributed to parents by school districts offering SES. Parents then select the provider they feel best meets their child's needs. Some approved providers are selected by parents and do tutor students during the school year while other approved organizations are not selected by parents and do not tutor any students. Third, if an approved provider is selected by a parent and completes the district's contract process for SES, typically most providers begin tutoring students late fall (November).

Question #5

What is the 2010-2011 schedule for webinars, conferences, workshops or any informal/formal presentations on SES related topics taking place? What documentation and person can be referenced for more details?

Answer #5

At this time, there are no trainings, conferences, or presentations for SES scheduled for the 2010-2011 school year*. However, sometime during the December 2010 – February 2011 time period, there will be new online trainings that organizations seeking to apply for the 2011-2012 school year can attend. Any other opportunities for the public to attend IDOE trainings or meetings regarding SES would be posted on the SES website if such trainings/meetings become available.

*Approved SES Providers will receive details from IDOE regarding required trainings during the 2010-2011 school year.

Question #6

In reviewing the Indiana Department of Education's SES Provider Application, I have a question...Do organizations with a Federal Tax ID number need to have an Indiana business license?

Answer #6

Part Three, Section III Question #I of the application shares that all applicants must submit formal documentation of their legal status with respect to conducting business in Indiana which should include an Indiana business license, or Certificate of Authority from Indiana, or sole proprietorship documentation, etc. (note: entities exempt from this requirement are school corporations, colleges/universities, or state agencies). This documentation is required even if an organization has a Federal Tax ID number.